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In re application of

Toshimitsu ISHIKAWA et al.

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SOFT CAPSULE



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**AMENDMENT SUBMITTED CONCURRENTLY WITH RCE**

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows: